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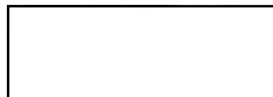
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2. On 16 July, a major, a captain, two senior lieutenants, all of them wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia; 27 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying rifles; and 3 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and carrying practice targets were seen at the wood-camp in Bruck (P 45 /X 77) on the Leitha River. occupied by personnel with red-bordered black epaulets and occupied by soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen entering and leaving this installation. Six trucks but no tanks were in the garages southeast of the railroad station. occupied by personnel with red-bordered black epaulets stood in front of the old komendatura. Six soldiers wearing black-bordered black epaulets entered and left the komendatura. occupied by personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets was parked in front of the new komendatura which was guarded by a sentry with black-bordered red epaulets. Very few soldiers were seen in the streets compared with preceding months.

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3. On 17 July, 11 trucks each with one 37-mm gun and 19 other trucks were parked in cantonment east (No 1) in Kaisersteinbruch (P 48/X 67). An extension of the fence was completed. The low buildings were reconditioned but still unoccupied. Six field grade officers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and two field grade officers wearing black-bordered red epaulets were seen entering and leaving the cantonment. A major wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia, 2 captains wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and 36 soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and armed with rifles, coming from the wooded area south of the cantonment, entered the installation.

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[redacted] occupied by personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets entered and left the cantonment. Nine 122-mm field howitzers, 14 trucks and 6 trucks with unusually large side boards stood on the hill east of the cantonment. Four groups each of 8 soldiers practiced with one Maxim machine gun each under the supervision of 4 officers in front of the hill. Six field grade officers each wearing red-bordered black and black-bordered red epaulets including 4 colonels as well as 2 trucks and 1 jeep were seen in cantonment west (No 2).

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4. On 18 July, [redacted] 3 armored vehicles, 51 trucks, 2 weapon carriers and 1 jeep in the Fasangarten Kaserne near Goetzendorf (P 49/X 57). About 40 soldiers, who were dismissed to their quarters after about 15 minutes, had fallen in behind four mortars, whose caliber source was unable to determine, in the barracks yard. Four lieutenant colonels wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and 3 majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery and tank insignia were seen at the barracks installation.

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[redacted] all occupied by personnel wearing red-bordered black epaulets were seen entering and leaving the installation.

5. On 24 July, 16 trucks were parked in the yard of the Altkettenhof in Schwechat (P 49/X 43). Thirty soldiers were engaged in athletics on a meadow. [redacted] driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets left the installation. [redacted] which was driven by a soldier with red-bordered black epaulets [redacted]

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6. On 24 July, individual soldiers were seen at the barracks installation in Zwoelfaxing (P 49/X 48), coming from, or going to, Schwechat. About noon, a detail of about 55 unarmed soldiers wearing red-bordered black epaulets and led by a captain left the installation and marched toward Schwechat.

7. On 18 July, two majors wearing red-bordered black epaulets with artillery insignia and 7 trucks [redacted] were noticed at the Margarethen am Moos (P 49/X 57) estate.

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On 19 July, 5 armored reconnaissance cars, 10 trucks and 2 jeeps were parked in the yard of the former Pioneer Regiment in Hlosterneburg (S 41/5 50). No vehicular traffic was noticed at this installation or the Pioneer Kaserne. However, the occupation appeared to be unchanged.

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